

City Council Special and Regular Meetings, January 11, 2000

Twin Pines Senior and Community Center, 1223 Ralston Avenue

SPECIAL MEETING: 6:00 P.M.

STUDY SESSION Time Certain 6:00 P.M.- 7:00 P.M.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Rianda, Warden, Hahn, Wright, Cook,

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: None

Staff Present: City Manager Westman, City Attorney Savaree, Associate Planner Livingstone, Public Works Director Curtis, Parks and Recreation Director Mittelstadt, Police Chief Goulart, Finance Director Fil, City Clerk Kern

Others Present: City Treasurer Mason

Library Task Force Presentation

Ms. Bissel, Chair of the Library Task Force introduced Catherine Paige and Chris Noll, library consultants. She introduced the members of the task force and thanked everyone for their participation. She reviewed the charge of the task force which was to put together RFP's for consultants and review the proposals. She explained that Noll and Tam had been chosen and had been working with focus groups to gather information to complete a needs assessment.

Ms. Paige, Noll & Tam, gave an overview of the library needs assessment. She reviewed the work she had been doing with the focus groups and information gathering. She described the physical layout of the current library and gave an overview of the current resources vs. what would be needed by the year 2020. Ms. Paige summarized the recommendations for the book collection, which should increase to a level of 3 volumes per capita; increase the materials other than English to 5% of the book collection; and increase the magazine and newspaper subscriptions to 8 subscriptions per 1,000 population. She noted that the seating should increase to 168 seats, with study space for up to 24; tutoring space to accommodate 4; computer workstations should increase to 54. Ms. Paige said that the survey indicated a desire to have a meeting room to accommodate 80 people and a storytelling space to accommodate up to 30 children and parents.

Mr. Noll, Noll & Tam, showed architectural drawing of various library schemes. He described the challenges to fit a library which would be 3x's the size on this site and also accommodate increased parking. The schemes showed a variety of features including a plaza, underground parking, a meeting room, and space left for a community park.

In answer to questions from the audience, Mr. Noll stated that they did not look at other sites in detail, because the survey indicated this was the preferred location. He explained that a 1/2 acre was needed for this project and there weren't many sites available in Belmont. A book drop was planned curbside and also in the underground parking garage. Mr. Noll explained that the cost was \$9 million + 35% for soft costs. He explained that the meeting room was necessary and desired by library users. He noted that with the underground garage, a left turn lane would be proposed for ingress and egress.

In answer to questions from the audience, Ms. Paige explained that the future needs assessment was based on the library planning guide and counter balanced with current usage and demand for services. She said the focus groups included: teens, Neighborhood Association members, educators, parents, and the business community.

C. Cook clarified that the library surveys indicated that this was the preferred location for the library.

Mr. Burger, 932 South Rd., task force member, expressed his concern about the lack of sites considered for the library. He explained that in other cities, libraries had been planned around the Civic Center. He said he thought a library in the downtown area or at Barrett Community Center could help generate revenue. Mr. Burger said he thought the current library could be utilized as a day care center to free up Barrett.

Mr. Noll, Noll & Tam, said that the next step would be gathering public input to come up with a design for the library building.

In answer to C. Wright, City Manager Westman stated that she thought the next step would be to have the architects develop plans for the library. She said that if it was decided that a bond measure needed to be put on the ballot, it was important for the voters to see what was proposed.

City Manager Westman explained that a sub-committee from the Task Force would be writing a final report on their work. She said the issue of site selection for the library needed to be explained in greater detail in that document. She said the next meeting of the task force would be on January 27th and she invited all interested parties to attend.

C. Rianda stated that she thought Mr. Burger's comments were food for thought and wondered if the task force had considered the Civic Center location.

Ms. Paige said there was always an affinity tied to where there was land.

Adjournment at this time, being 7:10 P.M., this meeting was adjourned.

Meeting Not Tape Recorded

P.A. System malfunction

Kathy Kern

Belmont City Clerk

CLOSED SESSION

A. Conference with Legal Counsel, anticipated litigation, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9:

1. One case

Attended by Councilmembers Rianda, Warden, Hahn, Wright Cook, City Manager Westman and City Attorney Savaree. City Clerk Kern was excused from attending.

Adjournment at this time being 7:20 P.M., this Closed Session was adjourned.

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REGULAR MEETING - 7:45 P.M.

ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Rianda, Warden, Hahn, Wright, Cook,

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: None

Staff Present: City Manager Westman, City Attorney Savaree, Associate Planner Livingstone, Public Works Director Curtis, Parks and Recreation Director Mittelstadt, Police Chief Goulart, Finance Director Fil, City Clerk Kern

Others Present: City Treasurer Mason

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Cook announced that information was provided, but no action taken.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/PRESENTATIONS

Mayor's Proclamation declaring February Melodrama Month in the City of Belmont.

Mayor Cook presented proclamation to a group of colorfully costumed Melodrama players, who invited Council to the Gala Event on Feb. 5th.

PUBLIC/COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Beitch, 2405 Hasting Dr. asked for an update on the traffic concerns in his neighborhood. Public Works Director Curtis stated that they would be putting together a subcommittee to study traffic calming devices in the City and invited Mr. Beitch to be a part of the group.

Mr. Beitch said he would like his neighborhood concerns addressed as soon as possible, because they had waited almost three months for a solution.

Mayor Cook asked that staff study these concerns concurrently with the city-wide traffic concerns.

Mayor Cook stated that she would be including an agenda item regarding ERFA funding on the 1/25 agenda as suggested at the library board meeting.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS

Mayor Cook announced that 4-G (support of CA. opposed to School and Road Delay) would be continued to 1/25. 4-H (ND Ord.) to be considered separately and 4-J (Council policy for Fox Park Design Process) to be considered separately.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval of meeting minutes: Regular Meeting December 14, 1999.

Approval of Warrant List Dated:12/9/99 in total amount of \$317,039.84 and dated 12/16/99 in total amount of \$117,260.15 and dated 12/23/99 in total amount of \$214,065.43.

Written Communication 1). Ltr. re. TURN's request for compensation in A.94-12-005, Phase 2 of PG&E's Test Year 1996 GRC; 2).Ltr. from PG&E re. 1995 PG&E Storm Response, D.99-06-080, OP 19; 3). Annual report in compliance with GO No. 166 (D.98-07-097) Southern California Water Co. Bear Valley Electric Service, Before the PUC.

Motion to waive reading of Ordinances.

Resolution No. 8673 authorizing payment for Change Order No. 37 for an amount not to exceed \$61,341.00 for raising the footing elevation of Wall 2 and 2A at San Carlos Station, Ralston/Harbor/Holly Grade Separation Project, Phase B, Kiewit Pacific Corp. City Contract No. 330-B.

Resolution No. 8674 approving an agreement between Ted and Rosemary Perino, property owners, 2815 Hallmark Drive and the City of Belmont for repairs to their property caused by accessing storm damaged areas for an amount not to exceed \$12,820.

Resolution rescinding Resolution No. 8638, Support of California Opposed to School and Road Delay.

CONTINUED TO MEETING OF 1/25

Motion accepting Finance Statements for City of Belmont FY 98/99.

Consent Calendar adopted as amended. Moved by C. Warden, seconded by C. Wright and approved unanimously, by roll call vote.

Motion amending Council Policy for the Fox Park Design Process

C. Rianda stated that she requested this be discussed because she wanted to be sure Council agreed with the modification to the direction given by Council to the Park and Recreation Commission, to appoint two members to this committee, not three.

Action: on motion by C. Rianda, seconded by C. Wright, and approved on roll call vote, 4-1 (Cook, no), to appoint two regular members and one alternate to the Fox Park committee.

Consideration of Ordinance approving a rezoning for a conceptual development plan to allow a Gymnasium, two story addition, and 25-meter swimming pool at 1540 Ralston Avenue (Appl. No. 98-1111).(2nd reading and adoption).

C.Cook recused herself. V. Mayor Hahn took over the meeting.

Senior Planner Livingstone explained that the motion made during the first reading of this ordinance at the meeting on December 14 did not include the word "gate". He said that after reviewing the tapes, staff was submitting a corrected condition which reflected that verbiage.

C. Hahn clarified that if the "gate" verbiage was removed from condition "K", this would be considered the first reading of the ordinance. The second reading and adoption would be on January 25th. She noted that this amended version without the word "gate" was faxed to the applicant on Friday and was provided to Council with the Council questions on Monday.

City Attorney Savaree stated this direction regarding the reading of the ordinance was correct. If Council removed the gate verbiage this would be considered the first reading of the ordinance.

Ms. Gleason, Principal, Notre Dame High School, stated that the school had no intention of changing the use of the current facilities. These facilities would replace existing facilities. She explained that scheduling for the high school and grade school teams which did not allow any time to rent the facilities to outside agencies. Ms. Gleason said their main objective was to provide education and at the present time they did not have enough room to gather the students together for graduation, liturgy or student body meetings.

Speakers against a Gate

Ms. Browning, 2001 Lyon Avenue,

Ms. Adamis, 2601 Read Avenue,

Ms. Buckley, 1160 Villa Avenue,

Ms. Byrne, 2306 Casa Bona Avenue,

Ms. Oberholser, 2310 Coronet Avenue,

Ms. Powers, 604 Southview Ct,

Ms. Silva, 3216 E. Laurel Creek Rd.,

Ms. Rogers, 2131 Pullman Avenue,

Mr. Smith, 1516 Ridge Rd.,

Ms. Karcich, 616 South View Ct.,

Ms. Fukuhara, 608 Southview Ct.,

Ms. Haynes, 1716 Terrace Drive,

Comments by speakers against Gate

It is important to leave exit open to provide ability to leave campus quickly in case of emergency.

This is a replacement facility and would not increase traffic. Notre Dame was an asset to the community and they do not intend to jeopardize this relationship with their neighbors. Several speakers concurred with comments made by previous speakers. If Belburn were blocked off it would be extremely dangerous to exit out onto Ralston Avenue. Another gate would create a much bigger safety issue for children walking to school, who would have to enter the campus from Ralston Avenue.

Sr. Quigg, Sisters of Notre Dame, 1500 Ralston Avenue, Principal of Notre Dame Elementary School, stated that she thought the Melodrama was an asset to Belmont and the neighbors on Belburn had to be patient with the traffic generated by this group at Barrett Community Center. She listed the other City activities that draw people to the community that generated traffic. She said that the Sisters built this gym and swimming pool 71 years ago to be part of the regular curriculum for the school and should not be considered luxury facilities which would be rented to outside groups. Two traffic studies had been completed that indicated there would be

no impact on traffic from this facility and the Planning Commission had concurred with this analysis. Sr. Dolores stated that a gate was not needed and would be an extra expense for the parents.

Ms. Silen, 1601 Robin Whipple Way, stated that the neighbors did not oppose the gym and were very supportive of the campus. They were opposed to the increased traffic from the gym and swimming pool. She said it was her understanding that the intention of the gate would be to block traffic at certain times such as after hours and special events. Ms. Silen respectfully requested that the original language for a gate remain in the ordinance.

Mr. Elkins, 2011 Monroe, Notre Dame Theater Manager, stated that over the last 20 years there had been a spirit of collegiality, communication and constant cooperation regarding egress and ingress for events on campus. He stated that this process was always done with the utmost concern for the participants, students and neighbors. He said that cooperation must continue and there was a basis for trust and a track record for success for handling traffic to and from the campus.

Ms. Shine, 1506 Escondido Way, stated that as a neighbor of the campus she had never experienced any traffic impacts in her neighborhood from events held on campus. She said that she was kept well informed by the school when events took place. She agreed that larger facilities were needed to accommodate the current enrollment.

Ms. Rud, 1608 Clee Street, stated that in the 10 years she had lived in the neighborhood she had never been impacted or inconvenienced by the school. She said she was in opposition to the gate. Ms. Rud said she and her neighbors had been kept well informed of events on the campus and believed that there would not be added activities on the campus. Ms. Rud said she welcomed this overdue remodeling.

Mr. Fox, 1016 Lassen Drive, expressed surprise at the extensive mitigation's agreed too at the Planning Commission. He said this invitation for abuse must be stopped and the gate plan must be withdrawn.

Mr. Lufrano, 1811 Robin Whipple Way, traffic control officer at the school, reported that because he witnessed the traffic first hand, he felt that the gate would create more traffic congestion on Ralston Avenue on a daily basis.

Mr. Naff, 1603 Belburn, stated that he had not heard any guarantee that the facilities would not be used outside the three schools on the campus. He said the neighbors were not opposed to the expansion, but they were concerned about safety and the loss of ambiance. Mr. Naff stated he was concerned about the lack of cooperation on the part of the school to talk to the neighbors about this plan. He said something had to be done about the safety issues on the weekends.

Mr. Peirona, 1610 Notre Dame Avenue, stated this was a replacement facility to meet the needs of the current enrollment. This facility was on seven acres of land and all parking was on the campus. Mr. Peirona said he was against the gate because he thought people would park their cars and jump the fence if a gate was there.

Mr. Roach, Marchetti Construction, applicant for project, said he had been told this would be the second reading of the ordinance.

Vice Mayor Hahn stated that if the "gate" verbiage was removed from the ordinance, the action would be a reconsideration of the ordinance and would be considered the first reading of the ordinance.

City Manager Westman clarified that she had misunderstood the direction for a first and second reading and that the Vice Mayor was correct.

Mr. Roach stated that the traffic report had indicated there were not adverse impacts in the traffic reports and it would be considered a degradation of property rights if the gate was added to the project.

Vice Mayor Hahn summarized the speakers comments and indicated that 21 speakers were against the gate and two speakers favored the gate. She reiterated that if the gate verbiage was removed from the ordinance, it would be considered a first reading of the ordinance.

C. Wright stated that it was his recollection that the Council voted on the mitigation without the gate.

He said he would support the ordinance as a first reading without the gate verbiage.

C. Rianda said she had listened to the tape of the meeting on December 14th and Community Development Director Vanderprieem stated " that staff and event people would have people park in the lots directly off Notre Dame Avenue and close the gate to direct access off Ralston Avenue, so there would not be any traffic through the neighborhood". She quoted him further"This would not be objectionable from the school operations standpoint and it would encourage people not to park in the neighborhood and try and walk on to the campus from the West Side."

C. Rianda said she thought from this testimony a gate would be part of the conditions. She said she thought this would go back to the Planning Commission to work out the details on the gate.

C. Rianda made a motion to adopt the original ordinance, with the gate verbiage, and directing the Planning Commission to look at hours of closure, type of gate and other details. There was no second to this motion.

C. Warden stated that if the Council had to make a decision on such a specific condition, the Council would have to look at the Planning Commission minutes, the traffic studies and the Negative Declaration. He said as a Planning Commissioner he had all that information and did not recommend a gate because the mitigation proposed was a sufficient conceptual plan. C. Warden explained that a detailed development plan would be submitted, and the Planning Commission could decide on this issue. He said when he voted for the first ordinance he did not intend on including the gate. He stated he was comfortable with the motion as stated by C. Wright at the meeting on December 14th. And he would like the Planning Commission to decide at the detailed development stage, what the traffic mitigation would be used.

C. Hahn said she agreed with both sides of this issue. She noted that this was the conceptual development stage and additional restrictions should be considered with the detailed development plan.

Action: on motion by C. Warden, 2nd by C. Wright, and approved on roll call vote 3-1 (Rianda, no; Cook, recused,) to introduce the ordinance with amendments (detailed plan for the control of traffic to Belburn and Notre Dame during the non-peak hours), waive further reading and continue to January 25th for the second reading and adoption.

C. Cook returned to the dais and took over the meeting.

MEETING RECESS at this time, being 8:55 P.M.

MEETING RESUMED at 9:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion and direction regarding Parliamentary Procedures. (cont'd from 10/12)

City Attorney Savaree explained that in October the Council had discussed the parliamentary procedures currently being utilized and it was determined that this should be discussed following the November election. She stated that the specific question for consideration is whether or not the Council wishes to require a 4/5 vote in all instances where Robert's Rules of Order would call for a 2/3 vote.

Council discussion ensued.

Council concurred to use the 4/5's vote where Robert's Rules of Order calls for a 2/3's vote for a super majority vote. This would apply to ending debate, objecting to consideration of a matter, considering something out of order, and closing nominations.

Motion to approve revised schedule of Special Council events. (cont'd from 12/14). Council concurred to schedule a meeting with the Belmont County Water Board in the Fall. They asked Staff to arrange a Legislative lunch starting at 11:30 A.M. on February 17th. Council concurred to schedule the Park and Recreation Joint Meeting at 7:30 P.M. on February 29th, to follow the Arts Commission Joint Meeting.

City Manager Westman reported that she still did not have dates for team building.

Motion to approve revised Council Assignments.

C. Cook stated that she did not wish to attend the Council of Cities Legislative Committee meeting held on Saturday morning at 8:00 A.M. She said she had only offered to take the assignment because no one else volunteered.

C. Rianda suggested sending a letter and stating that Belmont was very interested in this legislative information, but because of time constraints it was not possible to attend this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS -

Motion to consider Conceptual plans for City Hall exterior remodel and addition.

City Manager Westman explained that the Architects would present a slide presentation regarding the history of the project.

Mr. Kamages. Ekona Architects, showed the various options for the front of the City Hall exterior including the asymmetrical and curvilinear designs. He stated that the functionality of the interior had been worked out with the staff. He showed the new entrance on the "L" shape side of the building which would be retrofitted and braced to provide seismic integrity to the building and would form the new lobby. Mr. Kamages stated that the turn around area in one of the concepts had been eliminated to provide more public space, with linkage to Sixth Avenue and the other buildings. He said the Planning Commission re-enforced the concept of focusing on the park-like environment that exists already. They also requested that the building be sized back from the palladia concept. Mr. Kamages stated that the Planning Commission recommended the darker color and the non-symmetrical proposal, with flag poles in front. He said they also came up with some sign concepts: 1). concrete; and, 2). Earth tone pylon, with insert letters. Mr. Kamages explained that the interior lobby plan included access to the second floor and the many dual-use areas. The third floor would have a counter area with handicap access for civic service with both elevator and stairs.

City Manager Westman explained that the architects needed to start work on the interior design plans and would like to begin the Detail Development Plans for the Planning Commission. She said a decision on the outside features was needed as soon as possible. She said it was the Councils opportunity to give input on the design.

Mrs. Farmer, 1510 Winding Way, expressed concern that the entrance to City Hall would be inside the Park. She said it was important to have the advertisement for the City Hall on Sixth Avenue, so that when people drove by, they would know where the building was located.

Mayor Cook stated that the building needed to be rebuilt this way to accommodate the seismic retrofit for the building. She said it would not preclude having a design feature added to the Sixth Avenue side of the building delineating it as City Hall.

Mr. Kamages agreed that in the future other features could be added to the building to enhance the presence of City Hall on Sixth Avenue. He said that because of the funding constraints, they were concentrating on the entrance to the City Hall.

Mayor Cook said one of her goals was to make a statement with this building which would create a sense of pride and belonging for the community.

Mr. Parsons, Planning Commissioner, stated that they focused on the asymmetrical scheme with room for improvement on both schemes. He said they thought the project needed more detail work, but they did not want to hold up the project. He said they were concerned about the pedestrian access and the parking needs. Mr. Parsons explained that he thought these details could be worked out as the project progressed. He said he thought a committee of Councilmembers and Planning Commissioners working together could cut down on the time to get the project moving forward.

He said the façade that was presented was not a façade that everyone agreed on, but in the interest of time, they wanted the project to move forward.

C. Hahn stated that she liked the new Hayward City Hall which looked very similar to the original plans that were presented to Council earlier. She said she was not in favor of the box effect with the rounded staircase. She said she would like the flag poles in front of the building and wondered why the drop-off in front of the building was eliminated.

Mr. Kamages stated that the drive-through was eliminated to try and maintain as much green space as possible to fit in with the park.

C. Rianda stated that the Council had sent the curvilinear designs to the Planning Commission in May with alternatives. She said she was in favor of the open space in front of the building and the articulation between the buildings. She said she would have to depend on the City Manager and staff to determine the interior circulation. She said she was not in favor of the asymmetrical scheme because the curvilinear design was very functional and would open up the building. C. Rianda said she thought the Council had sent this design to the Planning Commission as the recommended scheme.

C. Cook clarified that her statements regarding this issue at the Council meeting where this was first discussed in May, should not have been considered as approval for this curvilinear design. She said her approval was for the conceptual idea and to keep the process moving, so this project would go before the Planning Commission. She said she had three criteria for this building: 1). Civic Facilities should make a statement that this was City Hall; 2). columns would be out of character with the park and downtown plan; and , 3). did not want to have an addition tacked on the back

C. Rianda said she thought this project was like the Innesfree project where Council approved the design and passed it on to the Planning Commission to work out the details.

In response to C. Cook, Mr. Kamages stated that they needed direction, because the façade interacted with the lobby and the seismic work. He said the building would make a dignified statement because of the overwhelming landscaping that surrounded it.

Mr. Kamages stated that a row of parking had been removed and replaced with sidewalk on the Sixth Avenue side of the building to enhance the green space on Ralston and Sixth Avenue.

C. Wright stated he liked the Planning Commission suggestion for an asymmetrical design. He said he was in favor of the subcommittee of two Councilmembers and two Planning Commission members to work out the details and to move this project forward.

C. Warden stated that there would not be any funding for a façade improvement for the rest of the building and whatever was designed for that corner should be reflected in the rest of the building. He concurred with the idea of the subcommittee to keep the project moving forward. He said he thought the asymmetrical design could be reworked by the Architects to bring forward something that would fit the building.

Action: on motion by C. Cook, seconded by C. Wright, to approve the Planning Commission recommendation for a square design with the trellis arcade from Plan A. This motion was defeated on a vote of 2-3 (Rianda, Hahn, Warden, voted no).

C. Warden stated that the Planning Commission had determined they would prefer a study session with the City Council or a subcommittee of Councilmembers and Planning Commissioners to make a final decision. He said he was not voting against the façade, he just did not want to put the stake in the ground at this point.

Mr. Parsons, Planning Commissioner, explained that they had not seen any color renderings until the day of the meeting. He clarified that the Commission had not voted against the curvilinear façade. He stated they never ruled out having a curved entrance, it was not an option at the last meeting. Mr. Parsons explained that their concern was to keep the project moving forward and that was why they suggested the subcommittee.

Mr. Peirona, Planning Commissioner, explained that the Planning Commission had voted against the "White House" look, not the curvilinear façade. He said the Commission never saw anymore renderings of curvilinear design just the asymmetrical design. Mr. Peirona said he would feel more comfortable meeting with the City Council to work out these design details.

C. Rianda made a motion, to bring back a curvilinear façade, less Georgian, with rounded edges and less boxy.

In response to City Manager Westman, C. Rianda clarified that the architects would come back to Council at the next meeting with a more refined rounded scheme.

C. Warden said that could be an option, but he did not want to throw out the asymmetrical design.

He said he would like the Planning Commission input on both designs.

City Manager Westman explained that a process was needed to keep the project on track and move forward. She suggested that Council schedule a Joint Study Session Meeting before the Planning Commission meeting at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, January 18th.

C. Wright stated that he would be unable to attend this meeting because of a business commitment.

C. Rianda withdrew her motion.

Council concurred to adjourn this meeting to a Joint Study Session with the Planning Commission at 6:00 P.M. on January 18th. Council would decide at that time if a sub-committee was needed to keep the process on track.

BOARD, COMMISSION, COMMITTEE UPDATES, AND STAFF REPORTS

Status Report on City Code update.

City Attorney Savaree explained the process she would use to bring Code Chapters to the Council to consider and update. She listed the new ordinances she would be bringing to Council for adoption over the next year

Council concurred they would like to see the Code a chapter at a time as time permitted on the agendas.

MEETING EXTENDED at this time, being 10:30 P.M., C. Cook, made a motion to extend the meeting for ten minutes, seconded by C. Hahn, and approved unanimously.

Countywide Transportation Plan - Review and Comment

Public Works Director Curtis stated that these chapters had been provided and no comments were necessary unless individuals would like to make them by the deadline of February 1, 2000.

C. Rianda stated that she thought the City should comment on the chapters that impacted us negatively.

City Manager Westman stated that some of the decisions were political and staff could not comment. She suggested that C. Rianda work with Public Works Director Curtis to come up with some suggestions for Council consideration.

C. Rianda suggested sending a letter to inform the San Mateo County Planning Division that comments would be coming from the City.

MATTERS OF COUNCIL INTEREST/CLARIFICATION

Discussion and direction regarding letter to FCC opposing attempts to further pre-empt local agencies' authorities over the public-rights-of way. (Hahn)

C.Hahn requested that this letter be sent even though the deadline had passed.

Council concurred with this suggestion.

City Manager Westman stated she would prepare this letter for the Mayor's signature.

Discussion regarding amendment to Ordinance limiting Campaign contributions. (Hahn)

C. Hahn stated she was interested in proposing legislation that would limit campaign spending to \$10,000 per election, per candidate.

City Attorney Savaree stated that she would like to discuss C. Hahn's ideas with her to determine what would be permitted since Prop 208 had been suspended. Councilmembers Rianda, Warden and Hahn stated they would like to have City Attorney Savaree prepare an ordinance for consideration.

MEETING EXTENDED at this time, being 10:40 P.M., C. Rianda made a motion to extend the meeting for ten minutes, seconded by C. Hahn, and approved 4-1 (Cook, no).

Discussion regarding rotation of Council voting order. (Warden)

C. Warden suggested rotating the Council voting order.

Discussion ensued.

Council concurred with the suggestion by City Attorney Savaree to have a show of hands when voting and the Clerk would note how everyone voted for the record.

Discussion regarding review of downtown parking availability and future planning.(Warden).

This item was continued to the next meeting for discussion.

Discussion regarding putting business license holders on the City web-site.(Warden)

This item was continued to the next meeting for discussion.

Discussion with school district about potential traffic mitigation's. (Warden)

This item was continued to the next meeting for discussion.

ADJOURNMENT at this time, being 10:45 P.M, this meeting was adjourned.

Kathy Kern

Belmont City Clerk

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